

Befekadu [Befeqadu] Hailu (m)

Adoption Status: Not Adopted

Country: Ethiopia

Occupation: Ethiopian journalist and Editor-in-Chief of the Ethiopian magazine Enqu

Detained Since: April 2014

Charges: Terrorism charges

Sentence: Not yet sentenced, being detained indefinitely

Additional: Hailu is cofounder of the Zone 9 blog and wrote for *Global Voices*, an international news website, as well as his own personal blog, *the Q perspective*, before he was arrested. Hailu also served as Editor-in-Chief at *Enqu* an Ethiopian magazine. In addition to his work in journalism, Hailu has published several novels and poems. He won the Burt Award for African Literature for his novel *Children of Our Parents* in 2012. On April 25th 2014, Hailu was arrested along with other cofounders of Zone 9 under terrorism charges.



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